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### The ough letter string

tough	cough	ought	thorough	through	plough	although
rough	trough	bought	borough	slough	dough	dough
enough		brought			though	though

**Remember, i before e except after c, but only when it rhymes with 'bee'**

shield	receipt	deceive
field	deceit	conceive
wield	ceiling	receive
believe	perceive	conceit



### Silent letters

knight	gnome	Wednesday	limb	whistle
knee	foreign	handsome	thumb	scratch
knot	reign	sandwich	subtle	castle

**Exceptions to the i before e except after c rule**

science	protein	beige	height
glacier	caffeine	foreign	sleight
ancient	weird	eight	weight

isosceles    descend    scissors